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Mr. Whitehead serves as the Executive Director for the U.S. Joint Forces Command, Joint Capability Development Directorate (USJFCOM J8). He is responsible for advocacy of Joint capabilities and their integration with Service, Inter-Agency and Coalition partners.

He was appointed to his position in the Senior Executive Service in July 2007, which also marked the beginning of his Civilian Service.

Currently, Mr. Whitehead oversees the management of the \$83B Command and Control Capability Portfolio on behalf of the Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command and the Assistant Secretary of Defense, for Network and Information Integration.

Mr. Whitehead served on active duty from 1980 to 2007, in a variety of U.S. Army armor and cavalry command and staff assignments in Germany, Kuwait, Turkey and the United States, including tank company commander; instructor and doctrine writer; tank battalion operations officer; division plans officer; brigade executive officer; cavalry squadron commander; Chief, Contingency Operations, J3, Kosovo Forces; J5, NATO Joint Command Southeast; and Director, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, Program Integration Office for Battle Command. Mr. Whitehead retired at the rank of Colonel.

He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York in 1980, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree. He is also a graduate of the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College, 1986. Additionally, Mr. Whitehead holds three master's degrees: Master of Science in Administration, Central Michigan University, 1994; Master of Military Arts and Science, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, School of Advanced Military Studies, 1995; Master of Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Advanced Strategic Arts Program, 2003.

Among Mr. Whitehead's military awards, he received: the Legion of Merit, 2007, 2000; Defense Meritorious Service Medal, 2002, 2001 and the Meritorious Service Medal 1992, 1990, 1985.